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MEMORANDUM FOR: Office of Legislative Counsel

STATINTL ATTENTION : [REDACTED]
STATINTL FROM : [REDACTED]
Deputy Director of Personnel
SUBJECT : H.R. 4173, The Omnibus Intelligence Community
Reorganization and Reform Act of 1977
REFERENCE : OLC informal note for DD/Pers dtd 5 May 77, same subj.

1. In response to reference, the proposed answer to the request for comments on subject Bill has been reviewed. We have read the Bill, and the provisions to reorganize the intelligence community and its activities are so sweeping and fundamental, as you note in your draft, we find it impossible to address the individual proposals we see as posing serious problems for the Agency, the community, and the country as a whole.

2. We understand the Committee's request for comments is within the context of informal discussions and not preliminary to hearings, and agree, therefore, that there is no need at this time for a more detailed and analytical response.



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Ben:

Draft response to the informal request from [redacted]. This is the Bill that wipes out DIA, reduces us to a shadow, sets up a new agency to produce, research and analyze foreign intelligence but provides no way of gathering it . . . etc. and etc.

[redacted] tells me the invite for comments was only in terms of discussions of the proposal and not, in anyway, testimony.

I find the response rather low key, but have to presume OLC knows how to deal with the various chairmen on the Hill.



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